Dear Mr. La Rosa:

Thank you for your kind letter enclosing the photograph you took of me during the recent Rose Garden ceremony. It's a great shot, despite the subject, and I'm glad to sign it for you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Gregory C. La Rosa 1598 Chocataw Road Arnold, MD 21012

Enclosure: return signed photo to writer

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

ATTENTION SUE WALKUP: please have the Senator sign one of the enclosed photographs.

Dear Mr. Di Berardino:

Thanks for sending your additional thoughts concerning your desire to honor the President for his support of the National Bellamy Award program.

I'm happy to forward your comments to the White House Scheduling Office, where your request is now under careful review.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Frank P. Di Berardino III Acting Director The National Bellamy Award 3 Oaks Court Albany, NY 12203

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cc: Lorgaine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

Dear Dr. Senese:

Thank you very much for your letter recommending Sally Todd for appointment as Director of the Office of Presidential Liaison.

Ms. Todd has impressive credentials and you may be sure she is being given every consideration for this appointment.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Dr. Donald J. Senese 7938 Bayberry Drive Alexandria, VA 22306

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

Dear Mr. Keller:

Thank you for your letter informing me of your work with the Bicentennial Commission in cosponsoring the "Celebration of Citizenship" Day on September 16. President Reagan has been invited to participate in this ceremony, and we are currently reviewing whether he will be able to do so.

I certainly admire the hard work which has gone into this worthy project and offer my best wishes for its success.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Edward P. Keller
Deputy Executive Director
National Association of
Elementary School Principals
1615 Duke Street
Alexandria, VA 22314-3483

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB Fred Ryan w/copy of incoming Lura Nell Mitchell-FYI Dear Darrell:

Thank you for sending a copy of your letter inviting the President to attend the Iowa Conservatives' conference on September 26.

I will make sure the President is aware of this event and that the appropriate members of the White House staff give your invitation full consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Darrell Kearney Chairman Iowa Conservative Network 2306 Glenwood Drive Des Moines, IA 50321

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB Fred Ryan Dear George:

Thank you for your letter inviting me to attend a Republican Party of Texas fundraiser sometime in early November.

Although it is too early for any decision at this point, I will be happy to give your invitation every consideration if we could get back together about it closer to the date of the event.

With warm best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable George W. Strake, Jr. State Chairman Republican Party of Texas 211 East Seventh Street, Suite 620 Austin, TX 78701

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

Dear Joe:

Thank you for your letter on behalf of Jennie Szeto who was a finalist for a White House Fellowship. As you are aware, the selection process has been completed and the White House Fellows for 1987-88 were announced on June 9. Although Ms. Szeto was not designated as a Fellow, she can be very proud to have reached the final phase of the intense competition for these fellowships.

Thank you again for bringing her accomplishments and credentials to my personal attention.

Warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Joe B. Allen Vinson & Elkins 3300 First City Tower 1001 Fannin Houston, TX 77002-6760

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

Dear Professor Walker:

Thanks for your letter and your kind words. Thanks also for the brevity, which I find increasingly valuable.

I was delighted to address the White House Fellows Association, and I look forward to future meetings. Please accept my appreciation for the outstanding job you've done as President of the Association, and my best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Professor Wallace Earl Walker President (1986-1987) White House Fellows Association Department of Social Sciences Department of the Army United States Military Academy West Point, NY 10996

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cc: Lorraine Camarano = Rm. 61 - OEOB

Dear Anna:

Thank you very much for your letter recommending Linda Arey for appointment as Director of the Office of Public Liaison.

As you well know, Linda has outstanding qualifications and she has been impressive in the position of Deputy Director. Please be assured she is being given every consideration for this appointment.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Anna Chennault 1511 K Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20005

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

Dear Jim:

Thank you for your recent message enclosing your resume. I, too, enjoyed meeting with you and Senator Cooper. I've shared your note and resume with Bob Tuttle, and I've asked him to be in touch with you if there's any capacity in which we might be able to draw on your expertise.

Again, it was a pleasure to visit with you both and to receive some encouragement from such a distinguished source.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. James T. Hemphill James T. Hemphill & Associates Suite 525 1575 Eye Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20005

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB cc: Pres. Personnel w/copy of incoming Dear Mr. Gumbel:

Thank you for your gracious letter.

I enjoyed being on your show the other day -- though, like you, I was in a state of shock and dismay following the USS STARK incident.

There will be other opportunities for me to return to the show, and perhaps then I could fill you in on some of the lore and glory of Tennessee.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Bryant C. Gumbel TODAY 30 Rockefeller Plaza New York, NY 10112

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

cc: Lura Nell Mitchell (FYI)

Dear Mr. Troutt:

Thank you for your letter concerning the possible appointment of William Dwyer to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. I am aware of your opposition to this appointment, and know you are joined by many who agree with your assessment.

I have sent your letter to A. B. Culvahouse for careful review. You may be sure that your comments will receive full attention in the Federal Judicial selection process.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Jeffery D. Troutt
The Institute for
Government and Politics
721 Second Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20002

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cc: w/copy of incoming to A. B. Culvahouse

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

Dear Ms. Whittaker:

On behalf of Senator Baker, I want to thank you for your letter. He appreciates hearing from you and having the benefit of your views.

With the Senator's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff

Ms. Judith Whittaker Associate General Counsel Hallmark Cards Incorporated Post Office Box 419126 Kansas City, MO 64141-6126

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

Dear Mr. Weiser:

Thank you for your telephone call to the White House. I am returning your books, as you requested.

The Chief of Staff only received two books from you, however, not three as you stated in your call.

Mr. Baker appreciates your thoughtfulness in sending the books to him and he asked me to extend to you his best wishes.

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Samuel Weiser Samuel Weiser, Inc. 132 East 24th Street New York, New York 10010

Enclosures: Japan's Imperial Conspiracy, Vol 1 and 2 returned.

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cc: Lorraine Camarano 61 OEOB

North Control

Dear Mr. Whittington:

Thank you for your letter inviting me to address the 50th Anniversary Meeting of the National Cotton Council on February 8, 1988.

I am honored to receive your kind invitation, but I hope you'll understand that a definite answer this far in advance is not possible. If you would like to send a follow-up invitation closer to the date of this event, I will be happy to give it every consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Aven Whittington President National Cotton Council of America Post Office Box 12285 Memphis, TN 38182

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cc: (Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

cc: Lura Nell Mitchell W/capy of incoming

Dear Mr. Walner:

Thank you for your note recommending Robert Lam for appointment to the Securities and Exchange Commission.

I'm happy to circulate your recommendation to the appropriate White House officials, and I assure you that Mr. Lam is receiving every consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Robert J. Walner
Senior Vice President
and General Counsel
The Balcor Company
Balcor Plaza
4849 Golf Road
Skokie, IL 60077

HHB/WJB/emu 6HHB

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

cc: Pres. Personnel

Dear Jim:

It was good to hear from you. I appreciate your confidence, but I am committed to serving this President for the duration of his term. I will not be seeking the Presidential nomination in 1988.

Warm best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Jim Unland Post Office Box 877 Pekin, IL 61555

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cc: (Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

Dear Dr. Tarr:

Thank you for your kind letter suggesting that I choose a Special Assistant from the ranks of the 1987-88 White House Fellows.

I certainly appreciate having your thoughts and recommendations, but my office will be unable to participate directly in the Fellows program during the coming year. Although my immediate office will not require the assistance of a White House Fellow, I know that we have benefited greatly from the role they have played as members of the President's team, and I look forward to the contributions of the 1987-88 class with great expectation.

Please accept my best wishes as you continue with your important work.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Dr. Linda L. Tarr
Director
President's Commission on
White House Fellowships
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

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cc: Lura Nell Mitchell w/copy of inc.

Dear Mr. Thompson:

Thank you for your letter to Senator Baker requesting a personal recommendation.

I must tell you that over the years Senator Baker has made it a practice to recommend only those people with whom he has been closely associated. He is therefore unable to comply with your request.

You were good to take the time to write and inform Senator Baker of your current undertakings. You have his best wishes for every future success.

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff

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Mr. Brian C. Thompson 1000 Sixth Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20024

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c: Forraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

Dear Mrs. Stiebeling:

Thank you for your recent letter. It has been my pleasure to correspond with you these past years. Your support for President Reagan and the Republican Party has been truly inspiring, and I wanted to write you personally to let you know how much I appreciate your concern for the future of this great Nation. You can be proud of all you've done, and now is the time to let others do their share.

I hope this note finds you feeling a little stronger. Please accept my best wishes and the enclosed photograph with the knowledge that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mrs. Dorothy Stiebeling 416 23rd Street, N.E. Fort Lauderdale, FL 33305

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cc: Lorraine Camarapo - Rm. 61 - OEOB

Dear John:

Thank you for your message recommending David Ruder for the position of Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

I'm happy to forward your recommendation to the appropriate White House officials who will give Mr. Ruder every consideration.

Thanks also for your offer to help in this important decision.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. John M. Richman Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Kraft, Inc. Kraft Court Glenview, IL 60025

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cc: borraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

Bob Tuttle with copy of incoming

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Thank you for your letter recommending Robert Lam for Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

I'm happy to circulate your recommendation to the appropriate White House officials, and I assure you that Mr. Lam is receiving every consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Thomas E. Robinson 5206 Norway Drive Chevy Chase, MD 20815

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cc: Forraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB cc: w/copy of incoming to Bob Tuttle

Dear Ms. Pizzano:

Thank you for your recent letter to Senator Baker concerning your efforts to reduce high school dropout rates throughout Appalachia.

Mr. Baker has long been convinced that there is a direct relation between a sound educational system and a healthy, diversified economy. I will make sure he is made aware of the material you have been kind enough to send.

With Senator Baker's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff

The Honorable Winifred A. Pizzano Federal Co-Chairman Appalachian Regional Commission 1666 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20235

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cc: (Lorraine Camarano, 61 0E0B

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

Thank you for your letter recommending Ed Fleischman for the Chairmanship of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

I'll see to it that everyone involved in this important decision is aware of your comments and support. You can be sure Mr. Fleischman will be given every consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. G. B. Mitchell Chairman Dana Corporation Post Office Box 1000 Toledo, CH 43697

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

cc: Bob Tuttle

June 16, 1987

Dear Mr. Mendel:

On behalf of Senator Baker, I want to thank you for your letter telling him about the Flag Day Parade. He was pleased to learn about your patriotic celebration and hopes the event was successful.

With Senator Baker's warm best wishes,

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup

Special Assistant
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Ed Mendel 120-30 DeKruif Place Bronz, New York 10475

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ce: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

Dear Mr. Mantykowski:

On behalf of Senator Baker, I want to thank you for sending him the photographs. He appreciates your thoughtfulness and sends his best wishes.

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Anthony Mantykowski 1251 Wilshire Drive Herndon, VA 22070

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cc: Corraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

Thank you for your letter recommending Swift Tarbell for Dear Jock: the position of Assistant Secretary for Trade Development at the Department of Commerce.

I'm happy to circulate your recommendation to the appropriate White House officials, and I assure you that Mr. Tarbell will receive every consideration.

With best wishes,

sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable John R. McKernan, Jr. Governor of Maine Augusta, Maine 04333

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB cc: w/copy of incoming to Bob Tuttle

Dear Bob:

Thanks for your letter recommending Beverly M. Selby for appointment as Director of Public Liaison.

I appreciate hearing from you and having the benefit of your views concerning this important position. Please be assured that Ms. Selby will receive every consideration in our search for a replacement for Mari Maseng.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Robert McClory Baker & McKenzie 815 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006

HHB/LRC/CAD/AVH/pt 6HHBA

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

cc: Bob Tuttle, w/copy of inc.

Dear Ms. LaHaye:

Thank you for your letter recommending the promotion of Linda Arey to the position of Director of the White House Office of Public Liaison and for enclosing her resume.

I appreciate your writing in Linda's behalf, and you can be sure that your recommendation is valued and that she is receiving every consideration in our search for a replacement for Mari Maseng.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Ms. Beverly LaHaye President Concerned Women for America Suite 800 122 C Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20001

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

cc: Pres. Personnel

Dear Mr. Kerr:

Thank you for your recent letter, which Harry was kind enough to send me.

I am pleased to have your suggestions concerning the conduct of ceremonies should an arms control agreement with the Soviet Union be concluded and signed in this Administration. You can be sure that I'll share your ideas with the appropriate members of the White House staff.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Richard Kerr 120 Persimmon Lane Hampstead, NC 28443

Mr. Harry Gray c/o 120 Persimmon Lane Hampstead, NC 28443

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CC: NSC (FYI)

CC: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

Dear Mr. Kraja:

Thank you for your letter enclosing a copy of the American Legion's Resolution No. 21 regarding the construction of the Korean War Memorial.

I appreciate your keeping me informed of the Legion's views on this important matter, and I will see to it that the appropriate members of the White House staff are made aware of this action.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Mylio S. Kraja Executive Director The American Legion 1608 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

cc: ABMC/FYI

Pres Personnel/FYI

Dear Mr. Decker:

Thank you for your letter recommending Robert Lam for appointment to the Securities and Exchange Commission.

I'm happy to forward your recommendation to the appropriate White House officials. You can be sure Mr. Lam will be given every consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Mark O. Decker
Executive Vice President
National Association of Real Estate
Investment Trusts, Inc.
Suite 700
1101 17th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

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cc. Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

Bob Tuttle with copy of incoming

Dear Mr. Coggin:

On behalf of Senator Baker, I want to thank you for your letter. He is pleased to hear from you and to learn of your outstanding service award. You should be proud of your fine achievement.

The Senator also appreciates your kind invitation.
However, the demands of his schedule will not permit him
to accept. I hope you will understand.

With the Senator's congratulations and best wishes,

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff

Mr. J. Milton Coggin 33 Sprayberry Road Newnan, GA 30263

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Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

Dear Mr. Cole:

Thank you for your letter to Senator Baker. He was happy to learn of your fine work on behalf of the mentally retarded.

I am sorry to send a disappointing response, but, as a matter of White House policy, the Chief of Staff cannot support personally all of the worthy endeavors that are brought to his attention each day. I hope you will understand.

Please accept Senator Baker's best wishes for a most successful event.

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Chester V. Cole
Executive Director
"Run for the Money"
Citrus County Association for
Retarded Children, Inc.
1315 North Van Nortwick Road
Lecanot, Florida 32661-9710

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

Dear Mr. Brown:

On behalf of Senator Baker, I want to thank you for your letter.

I am happy to send the enclosed photograph of Senator Baker. It comes to you with his best wishes.

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Tim W. Brown Chairman Wood County Young Republicans Post Office Box 344 Bowling Green, OH 43402

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

Dear Mr. Bozell:

Thank you for your letter supporting President Reagan's statements concerning the AIDS situation and for your recommendation of Richard DeVos for an appointment to the commission to study AIDS-related issues.

Solving the myriad of problems associated with the AIDS crisis will require all the talent and initiative we can muster, and it's encouraging to have your suggestion. I will make sure that the appropriate White House staff members are aware of Mr. DeVos' credentials.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. L. Brent Bozell III
President
National Conservative
Political Action Committee
1001 Prince Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

HHB/WJB/emu 6HHB

cc: Lorraine Camarano Rm. 61 - OEOB cc: w/copy of incoming to Bob Tuttle

Dear Judge Boyd:

Thank you for your letter recommending Jerome Turner for an appointment to the United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee.

I'm happy to circulate your recommendation to the appropriate White House officials, and I assure you that Mr. Turner will receive every consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

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The Honorable Marion S. Boyd Judge Western District of Tennessee United States District Court United States Courthouse Memphis, TN 38103

HHB/WJB/emu 6HHB

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

cc: w/copy of incoming to A.B. Culvahouse

Dear Mr. Boyd:

Thank you for your letter to the Chief of Staff. I apologize for the delay in responding.

Although your interest in asking for a letter of recommendation is appreciated, Senator Baker cannot comply with such requests. I hope you will understand.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff

Mr. Glenn H. Boyd Route 2, Box 272-C Winchester, Tennessee 37398

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 0EOB

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Dear Courtney:

Thank you for your letter enclosing a copy of Renold Thompson's recent address in Cleveland.

I am glad to have your assessment of the problems facing American industry. I plan to read this material as time allows and will circulate it among the President's advisers as well.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Courtney Burton, Jr. Chairman Oglebay Norton Company 1100 Superior Avenue Cleveland, Ohio 44114

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cc: Lorraine Camarano Rm. 61 OEOB

Dear Mr. Agee:

Senator Baker has asked me to thank you for your letter requesting an internship position for next summer.

While there are no summer internships available in the Office of the Chief of Staff, I am bringing your letter to the attention of the Office of Presidential Personnel so that you may be considered for an internship position in another White House office. If you are interested in such a position, you may wish to follow up directly with the Office of Presidential Personnel in the future.

With Senator Baker's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff

Mr. William P. Agee 635 Fitzwater Street Philadelphia, PA 19147

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

cc: Joan DeCain/White House Volunteer Office (FYI)

cc: Office of Presidential Personnel w/cy of incoming

Dear Mr. Fulton:

I want to thank you for your idea suggesting that President Reagan create a "Presidential Achievement Award."

Your idea certainly seems to be a fitting way to honor a great American pioneer -- Amelia Earhart. Her spirit and achievements continue to inspire Americans of all ages to soar to heights they scarcely imagined possible.

As you may know, however, the President currently honors Americans by bestowing upon them either the Presidential Medal of Freedom or the Presidential Citizens Medal.

The Medal of Freedom is awarded to persons who have made especially meritorious contributions to the security or the national interests of the United States, to world peace, or to cultural or other significant public or private endeavors. This is the highest award bestowed upon an individual by the President. Any person can make a recommendation to the President for this award. After reviewing the recommendations, the President decides who is worthy of this recognition.

Similarly, the President awards the Presidential Citizens Medal to citizens of the United States who have performed exemplary deeds of service for the country or their fellow citizens. As with the Medal of Freedom, anyone can make a recommendation to the President for this award. Both of these awards can be presented posthumously.

With the availability of these two very prestigious awards, the President has ample means, I believe, to recognize both living and deceased Americans who have contributed to the national interest in an outstanding way.

I note that Amelia Earhart has not been posthumously awarded either of these medals. If you would like to nominate her for either award, I suggest you write the Honorable Frederick J. Ryan, Jr., Assistant to the President, The White House, Washington, D.C. 20500, advising him of your recommendation.

Thank you again for taking time to share your idea with us.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. David H. Fulton President Pulton & Associates 4010 East Providence Road Charlotte, NC 28211

HHB/CAD/efr 6HHBC

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

Dear Don:

Thank you for your message recommending former Senator Harrison Schmitt to serve as a member of the National Commission on AIDS. I have had several talks with Jack, and I am very aware of his interest in this subject.

I continue to value your wise counsel and look forward to seeing you again soon.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Donald Rumsfeld Suite 3910 135 South La Salle Street Chicago, Illinois 60603

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cc: Imrraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

cc: Bob Tuttle, PPO

Dear Mr. Hendrickson:

Thank you for your letters of April 13 and May 14. I apologize for the delay in responding.

The Executive Branch does not, to my knowledge, retain a benefits and compensation consultant nor are there plans to do so. Executive agencies may contract for such services consistent with legislative mandates. Such contracts would be awarded on a competitive basis in accord with the Federal Acquisition Regulation. Procurement actions would appear in the Department of Commerce publication Commerce Business Daily. You may wish to contact specific Federal agencies involved in employee benefits and compensation programs and request placement on their Bidder's Mailing List.

I trust you will find this information useful. Thank you for your interest in working with the Federal government in this area.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. William T. Hendrickson Hendrickson & Company 20 West Ridgewood Avenue Ridgewood, NJ 07450

HHB/OPM/AGAIII/LRC/CAD/ckb 6HHBB cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB Dear Mr. Wiley:

Thank you for your kind words of encouragement and support. It is indeed an honor for me to serve this President.

I agree with you about the efforts and tremendous effectiveness of Paul Volcker during this time of economic recovery and expansion. However, as you are aware, President Reagan has nominated Dr. Alan Greenspan as Chairman of the Federal Reserve following Mr. Volcker's decision not to accept a third term. Mr. Volcker has also indicated his strong support for Dr. Greenspan's nomination.

I appreciated hearing from you and having the benefit of your views. Please accept my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Kevin Wiley Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc. 1000 West Jefferson Street Tipton, IN 46072

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

Dear Mr. Singer:

Thank you for your letter requesting a letter of recommendation for Avron Fogelman. I have been impressed with Mr. Fogelman for a long time now. He has built for himself a reputation as a man of accomplishment and of concern for his fellowman.

Avron has been a successful businessman in Memphis for many years. He has distinguished himself both as a volunteer and through his work to enhance educational opportunities in Western Tennessee. He has received several citizenship awards which underscore the appreciation he has earned from the people of Memphis.

Avron Fogelman's record speaks for itself, and I am pleased to recommend him as a worthy recipient of this year's Horatic Alger award.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Hallie Singer Public Relations Director Fogelman Properties 5400 Poplar Memphis, TN 38119

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

cc: Lura Nell Mitchell (FYI)

Dear Mrs. Moore:

Thank you for your letters written on behalf of your son Greg and his efforts to enter the Naval Academy. I did not get a chance to read your letter while I was at home.

Greg seems to be an outstanding young man, and for that reason I will see to it that his credentials are given every consideration by the appropriate officials.

I send my best wishes for your success in this matter and extend my greetings to the entire Moore family in South Carolina.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mrs. Marilyn Moore 203 Shetland Way Greer, SC 29651

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB
Joni Stevens/Military Office w/copy of incoming

Dear Mr. Beall:

Thank you for your letter of May 14, 1987 expressing concern over efforts to increase the minimum wage.

This Administration agrees with you and opposes an increase in the minimum wage because it would result in a substantial loss of job opportunities particularly for entry-level people. As you pointed out in your letter, employment opportunities would be most sharply reduced for teenagers and for those with few job skills.

We particularly appreciate your analysis of the relation of tip income to the minimum wage. I have taken the liberty of forwarding your letter to the Secretary of Labor for his use as he leads the Administration's fight against the pending legislation.

The unemployment rate is at its lowest point in seven years due in part to the tremendous surge of job creation during this economic expansion. More than 14 million jobs have been created since 1982. At the same time, youth unemployment remains stubbornly high at 17.7 percent — the rate for minority youth is twice as high. I believe that we would be making a serious mistake if we closed off labor market opportunities for America's young men and women. Setting up barriers to the acquisition of work experience, which — as you note — would occur in the restaurant industry if the minimum wage were increased, will not help our young people.

We appreciate receiving your views on this matter.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. S. E. Beall III
President and
Chief Operating Officer
Morrison Incorporated
Post Office Box 150266
Mobile, AL 36625-0001

WHcc: Secretary William Emerson Brock III cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB HHB/CAD/efr 6HHBC

Thanks for your letter and your understanding Dear Dave: of how hectic my schedule has become.

Allow me to congratulate you as you conclude your distinguished service at Dartmouth. I know you have several opportunities before you at this point. If I see a spot become available which would allow us to take advantage of your which would allow us to take advantage of your extraordinary background, I will be sure to let you know.

With best Wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. David T. McLaughlin President Dartmouth College Hanover, NH 03755

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Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB Presidential Personnel w/copy of incoming and resume cc:

Dear Bob:

Thank you for your resume and for volunteering to participate in the National Commission on AIDS.

Your interest is deeply appreciated. To date there has been no final decision about the membership of the commission; nevertheless, I'm bringing your correspondence to the attention of the Office of Presidential Personnel. I'll make sure your request receives every consideration in deliberations about this important commission.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

The Honorable Robert E. Bauman Post Office Box 15145 Washington, DC 20003

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB Bob Tuttle w/copy of incoming Dear Harry:

Thank you for your letter recommending Judge William Schwarzer for appointment to a possible opening on the Ninth Circuit.

I appreciate hearing from you and learning of your strong support for Judge Schwarzer, and I'm going to share your comments with A. B. for careful review in our judicial selection process. You may be sure that Judge Schwarzer will receive every consideration.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Harry M. Reasoner Vinson & Elkins 3300 First City Tower 1001 Fannin Houston, TX 77002-6760

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB A. B. Culvahouse Dear Mr. Ravitz:

Thank you for your recent letter. Your interest in writing and sharing your views is appreciated.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Mel Ravitz Detroit City Councilman Detroit, MI 48226

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

Dear Mr. Anderson:

Thank you for sending me a selection of your ice cream bars. I appreciate your thoughtfulness and send my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Bob Anderson Fantasy Flavors, Inc. Post Office Box 996 Wheaton, IL 60187

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB Gift Unit-FYI Dear Mr. Cowles:

Thank you for sending the framed photograph and the letter requesting an opportunity to meet with President Reagan and me. I am glad to hear of your continued support for the President.

I've brought your request to the attention of the appropriate White House staff members, who should be in touch with you shortly.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Benton A. Cowles Post Office Box 252 Brownsville, KY 42210

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cc: Corraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB Fred Ryan w/copy of incoming Gift Unit w/copy of incoming Dear Mr. Young:

Thank you for your letter of April 29. The Nation's tax laws have important direct and indirect effects on all of us, and I appreciate hearing your views.

I have passed on your idea for a Labor Equivalency Tax to Chairman Sprinkel of the President's Council of Economic Advisers. He informs me that income earned by machines (capital) is, in fact, subject to the income tax. The corporate income tax and personal income taxes on interest, dividends, and capital gains are all taxes on capital income. Table 2-6 of this year's Economic Report of the President shows that the overall average marginal tax rate on capital income is now virtually the same as the overall average marginal tax rate on labor income. For this reason, and I hope you'll agree, a Labor Equivalency Tax is unnecessary.

I enclose a copy of this year's Economic Report of the President for your reference. Please don't hesitate to write again if you have any further questions or comments.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Hr. Carson E. Young, Jr. 54 Merlham Drive Madison, Wisconsin 53705

Enclosure: Jan 1987 Economic Report of the President

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

Dear Mr. Krupp:

Thank you for your recent letter.

Although I appreciate your interest in writing, the demands of my schedule will not permit a meeting at this time. However, I will be happy to assist in arranging a meeting with Mari Maseng, Bill Graham, and/or Nancy Risque. Important members of the Domestic Policy Council could also be included if you wish.

Again, thank you for writing. You have my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr. Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Frederic D. Krupp Executive Director Environmental Defense Fund 257 Park Avenue South New York, New York 10010

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